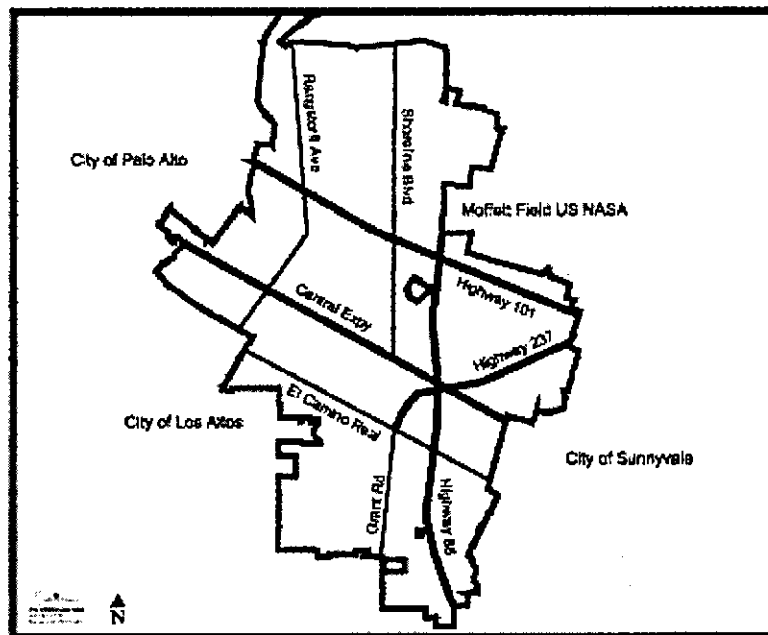# CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIFORNIA
COMMUNITY PROFILE

History

The City of Mountain View is a charter city incorporated on November 7, 1902 and is celebrating its centennial birthday this year. The City operates under a council-manager form of government. The seven council members are elected at large for four-year terms that are staggered so three or four seats are filled at the general municipal election in November of every even-numbered year. Service on the Council is limited to two consecutive terms. Each year in January, the Council elects one of its members as Mayor and another as Vice-Mayor.

Location

Located in the heart of Silicon Valley, the City occupies approximately 12 square miles and is approximately 36 miles southeast of the City of San Francisco and 15 miles northwest of the City of San Jose (the County seat).

Climate

The climate is mild. The average temperatures during the summer months are in the mid-70's while during the winter they are in the high 50's. Rand McNally ranks Mountain View's climate the eighth most desirable of 329 metropolitan areas.

Transportation

Several major freeways and roads run through the City; U.S. Highway 101, California State Highway 85, Route 237, California State Highway 82 (known as El Camino Real) and Central Expressway. The City is also conveniently located near Interstate Highway 280. The City is bisected by CalTrains and is the northwest terminus of the County's Light Rail System. San Francisco International Airport is located 25 miles north of the City and San Jose International Airport is located 15 miles to the south.

Land Use Distribution

	Total Acres	Percent of Total
Residential	2,848	46%
Commercial	720	12%
Industrial	1,262	21%
Other	1,214	20%
Vacant	94	1%

Housing

There are a total of 32,780 housing units in the City of Mountain View. The median housing value for a single family home is $650,000; for a condo/townhouse is $375,000. Housing units - owner occupied: 13,604 (41.5%); renter occupied: 19,176 (58.5%). Vacancy rate: 3.67%.
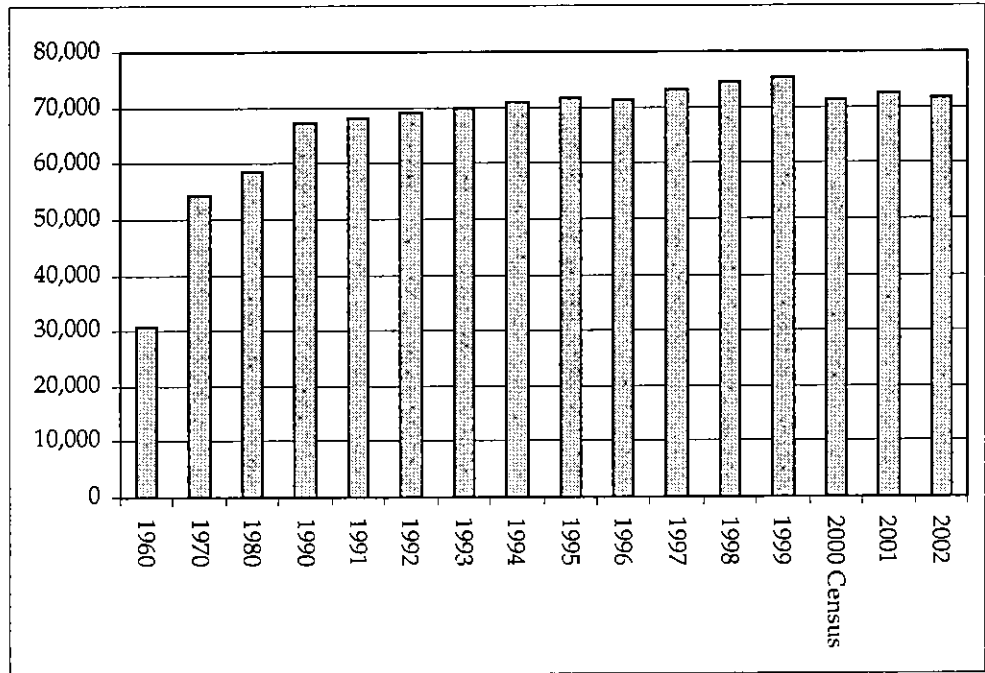
Recreation

The City enjoys many recreational facilities including operation of an eighteen hole golf course, a 644 acre regional park with a boat house and a sailing lake, and an outdoor amphitheater which seats 25,000.

Population

1960.....30,889
1970.....54,132
1980.....58,722
1990.....67,460
1991.....68,071
1992.....69,070
1993.....69,875
1994.....70,835
1995.....71,496
1996.....71,300
1997.....73,100
1998.....74,700
1999....75,200
2000....71,369
2001....72,242
2002....71,610

Sources: California State Department of Finance

Largest Employers

Employer	Type of Business	# of Employees
Synopsis, Inc.	Chip Development Software & Services	1,626
Veritas Software Global Corporation	Software	1053
Acuson Corporation	Diagnostic Imaging Systems	960
WebTV Networks, Inc.	Computer Software & Hardware	944
Intuit Corporation	Financial Software	909
KPMG	Consulting & Tax Services	900
Silicon Graphics, Inc.	Graphic Workstations	636
Microsoft Corporation	Software	588
General Dynamics Electronic Systems	Electronics	550
Sun Microsystems, Inc.	Software	466

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Financial Status

City	Population *	Adopted General Fund Revenues	Adopted General Fund Appropriations	Adopted Total Budget**
Mountain View	71,610	$ 72,739,000	$ 70,633,000	$ 148,569,000
Los Altos	27,900	20,000,000	18,291,000	26,446,000
Cupertino	52,200	47,997,000	52,792,000	66,691,000
Palo Alto	60,500	126,167,000	125,908,000	339,346,000
Milpitas	63,800	61,802,000	61,802,000	105,496,000
Santa Clara	104,300	116,003,000	115,587,000	463,265,000
Sunnyvale	132,800	96,575,000	107,125,000	217,285,000
San Jose	918,000	833,523,000	833,523,000	3,034,000,000

Source: Revenues, Appropriations and Budget obtained from respective cities

* Estimates as of 1/1/02, obtained from the California State Department of Finance.

** Amounts exclude transfers